

# Chattahoochee River

## Silver Anniversary

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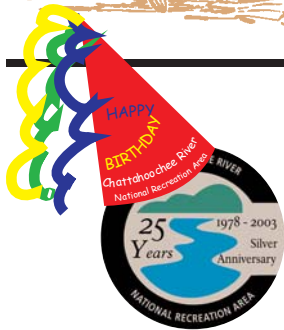
Chattahoochee River  
National Recreation Area  
Atlanta, Georgia



# Family Celebration

**Saturday, August 16th**  
noon until 9:00 p.m.

**Sunday, August 17th**  
noon until 5:00 p.m.



*You, your family, and your friends are all cordially invited to attend the Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area's Silver Anniversary Celebration at Chattahoochee River Environmental Education Center, 8615 Barnwell Road, Alpharetta, Georgia.*

*Our Celebration includes great music, Native American dancing and legends, Civil War encampment, storytelling, guided walks, live animal programs, blacksmithing, fly fishing how to's, campfires and marshmallows, exciting exhibits, tasty food, and costumed characters.*

## Activities

In celebrating our 25th Anniversary we have plenty of things to do for young and old alike. Activities include:

Blacksmith  
Campfire and marshmallow roasting  
Canoe and/or kayak paddling  
Civil War encampment

Fly Fishing Instruction  
Native Americans dances and legends  
Nature hikes  
Storyteller

## Exhibits

We will have an assortment of exhibitions set up by our partners telling their interest in the river. They include:

Bird prints by artist Tim Hunter  
Chattahoochee Nature Center  
Georgia Conservancy  
Georgia Dept. of Natural Resources

Georgia Forestry Commission  
Trust For Public Land  
U.S. Geological Survey  
Upper Chattahoochee Riverkeepers

## Book Signing

**Joe and Monica Cook**, noted photographers, will be showing their photographs of the river and signing copies of their book, *River Song*.

**Charles Seabrook**, Senior Environmental Writer for the *Atlanta Journal Constitution*, will read excerpts from, answer questions about, and sign copies of his book, *Cumberland Island, Strong Women, Wild Horses*.

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## Music

To provide pleasure for your ears the following groups will be performing throughout the weekend:

**Momma Bass and the Mud Sliders**, a hand clapping, toe tapping, jump from your seat show that is sure to get you motivated.

**Hearth and Fire, Dulcimer Ensemble** will offer a melodic, more relaxing program to reflect on the importance of the Chattahoochee.

**Chattahoochee Celtic Pipes and Drums** will have you marching to save the world, or at least the river.

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## Food

Food vendors will provide an array of food items and beverages for purchase. Picnic tables and the green grass are available for your dining enjoyment.

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## Souvenirs

**Eastern National**, the parks bookstore operator, will have a selection of books, maps, pins, and other items of interest that are carried in the store at Island Ford.

**Chattahoochee River Friends**, the parks non-profit friends group, will be offering Silver Anniversary Tee Shirts and Car Mugs to raise funds for environmental education programs at the CREEC.

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## Directions

**Please note** that all parking will be at Barnwell Elementary School. There will be a free shuttle to bring you to the Chattahoochee River Environmental Education Center. Drivers with a handicapped rider may drop off the individual at the Center before parking at the school.

**From Georgia 400:** Take exit 7, Holcomb Bridge Road/Georgia 140. Turn East and travel approximately 4 miles. Turn left onto Barnwell Road and proceed to Barnwell Elementary School.

**From Interstate 85:** Take exit 99 Jimmy Carter Boulevard. Turn west, Jimmy Carter Boulevard becomes Holcomb Bridge Road. Continue west and cross the Chattahoochee River. Turn right onto Barnwell Road and proceed to Barnwell Elementary School.

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## Silver Anniversary

The legislation that created Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area was signed into law on August 15, 1978 by President Jimmy Carter. We hope you are able to join us in celebrating our twenty five years by participating in this program. If you are unable to participate in this program contact the park by phone or visit us on the internet to learn more about upcoming events during this special year.

*It's one of the most beautiful places in our country, extremely valuable to all those who know it, who live near it, and who appreciate the quiet and seclusion and the beauty and the value of this river to our people. It's a rare occasion when within the city limits of one of our major cities, one can find pure water and trout and free canoeing and rapids and the seclusion of the Earth the way God made it. But the Chattahoochee River is this kind of place.*

**President Jimmy Carter**  
White House Rose Garden  
August 15, 1978

Bowmans Island - Orrs Ferry - Settles Bridge - McGinnis Ferry - Suwanee Creek  
Abbotts Bridge - Medlock Bridge - Jones Bridge - Holcomb Bridge - Island Ford  
Vickery Creek - Gold Branch - Johnson Ferry - Cochran Shoals - Palisades

**1978 Island Ford Parkway, Atlanta, Georgia, 30350**  
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